

## Message

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**Sent:** 12/16/2016 12:14:21 PM  
**To:** Viera, John (J.J.) [jviera@ford.com]  
**Subject:** FW: National Program

John -

One item we should cover this morning is your views on this suggestion from Honda for a Ford/Honda/ARB/EPA-OTAQ meeting the week of the Detroit Auto Show.

Thanks  
 Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert\_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com [mailto:Robert\_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com]  
 Sent: Friday, December 09, 2016 3:13 PM  
 To: Nichols, Mary D. @ARB <mary.nichols@arb.ca.gov>  
 Cc: Ayala, Alberto@ARB <Alberto.Ayala@arb.ca.gov>; Charmley, William <charmley.william@epa.gov>; Edward\_Cohen@hna.honda.com; Grundler, Christopher <grundler.christopher@epa.gov>; Viera John J. <jviera@ford.com>; McCarthy, Mike@ARB <michael.mccarthy@arb.ca.gov>; Corey, Richard@ARB <richard.corey@arb.ca.gov>; Simon, Karl <Simon.Karl@epa.gov>; Cliff, Steve@ARB <Steve.Cliff@arb.ca.gov>  
 Subject: Re: National Program

Tuesday (1/10) afternoon? Wednesday (1/11) morning? Honda has an office one block away from Cobo Hall and we can probably host.

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On Dec 9, 2016, at 12:06 PM, Nichols, Mary D. @ARB <mary.nichols@arb.ca.gov> wrote:

Yes and yes, I agree.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Dec 9, 2016, at 11:44 AM, "Robert\_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com"  
 <Robert\_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com> wrote:  
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 > Mary:  
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 > Rumor has it that you are planning to attend the Detroit Auto Show.  
 > Any chance for a follow-up discussion? I realize things look pretty  
 > grim,  
 > but  
 > I am an optimist, and maybe good things can be forged at times like  
 > these.  
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> Mike@ARB" <michael.mccarthy@arb.ca.gov>  
> Date: 11/11/2016 11:58 AM  
> Subject: Re: National Program  
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> Dear Robert,  
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> In light of Tuesday's earthquake in national leadership and  
> direction, compounded by what I can only call an outrageous backdoor  
> reversal of industry's long term insistence that California's ZEV  
> mandate not be part of the national GHG/fuel economy program, I can't  
> see going ahead with next Friday's meeting.  
> As you know, in times of upheaval, personal relationships are more  
> important than ever. I value the dialogue you and I have had over many  
> years, and I don't intend to punish you and John for something I very  
> much  
> doubt you are responsible for. But the fact is we need some time to  
> regroup in light of the threat to slow down or derail the MTR.  
> I doubt this issue is at the top of the President-elect's to-do list,  
> and  
> I  
> am not ready to assume the worst, but wild uncertainty--exacerbated by  
> stuff like Mitch's unfortunate letter--does not create an environment  
> conducive to creative problem solving.  
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> Best personal regards,  
> Mary  
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> Sent from my iPhone  
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>> On Nov 11, 2016, at 5:30 AM, "Robert\_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com"  
> <Robert\_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com> wrote:  
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>> Mary, Chris:  
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>> I just spent Wednesday at EPA in Ann Arbor, and Thursday at NHTSA in DC.  
>> There is a lot of uncertainty, right now.  
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>> John Viera and I have talked about this and we very much want to keep  
>> our  
>> next meeting, scheduled for Friday, Nov 18th, 10am-12pm. We will  
>> host  
> Mary  
>> and John Viera at Honda in Torrance, and the others will tie in by  
>> video.  
>> It seems to me that our discussions are just as important as ever,  
>> but  
> with  
>> different partners than we expected.  
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>> The Alliance has just sent a provocative letter to the Trump  
>> transition team. However, we need to engage cooler heads who can keep  
>> their eyes focused on our long-term, global goals. The auto industry  
>> has an  
> interest  
>> in the stability of regulations, in national programs, and in the  
>> continuity of our investments.  
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>> John and I are in alignment about our optimism for the potential of  
>> these  
>> discussions and we hope you feel the same way.  
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>> Regards,  
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